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SUBJ: TEXT OF GOVERNMENT STATEMENT ANNOUNCING MARTIAL LAW

1. AT 6:00 A.M. THIS MORNING, SEPTEMBER 8, THE GOVERNMENT  
ANNOUNCED THE IMPOSITION OF MARTIAL LAW AND A DUSK TO DAWN  
CURFEW IN TEHRAN AND 11 OTHER CITIES FOR SIX MONTHS. CURFEW  
HOURS IN TEHRAN ARE FROM 9:00 P.M. TO 5:00 A.M. THE TEXT  
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OF THE GOVERNMENT STATEMENT, AS READ OVER THE INTER-  
NATIONAL RADIO STATION NEWS, IS AS FOLLOWS: QUOTE: A  
GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCEMENT DATED THE 15TH OF SHAHRIVAR, OR  
6TH OF SEPTEMBER, PROHIBITS GATHERINGS ON PUBLIC STREETS.  
DISREGARDING RELIGIOUS LEADERS' DIRECTIONS TO KEEP PEACE  
AND NOT CREATE DISTURBANCES, PROTESTORS DEMONSTRATED  
AND DISPLAYED PLACARDS AND SLOGANS AGAINST THE IRANIAN

CONSTITUTION YESTER. BY DOING SO, THEY DISRUPTED  
THE ACTIVITIES OF EVERDAY LIFE AND FRIGHTENED THE  
PEOPLE. EVEN THOUGH IT WAS VERY EASY FOR THE ARMED  
FORCES TO ENFORCE THE LAW, THE ANTI-STATE DEMONSTRATION  
WAS PERMITTED AND TOLERATED BY THE GOVERNMENT IN ORDER  
TO AVOID BLOODSHED. THE PLOT, WHICH IS FINANCED AND  
MASTERMINED BY OUTSIDE FORCES, IS INCREASING IN  
DIMENSION EVERY DAY, IS ENDANGERING EVERY INDIVIDUAL'S  
RIGHTS, IS AGAINST THE FREEDOM AND INDEPENDENCE OF  
THIS NATION, AND IS AIMED AT DISRUPTING IRAN'S PROGRESS  
AND GOVERNMENT. THE IRANIAN GOVERNMENT HEREBY DECLARES  
MARTIAL LAW FOR SIX MONTHS IN TEHRAN, KARAJ, GHAZVIN,  
QOM, MESHAD, TABRIZ, AHWAZ, ABADAN, ISFAHAN, SHIRAZ,  
KAZEROON AND JAHRUM. END QUOTE.  
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